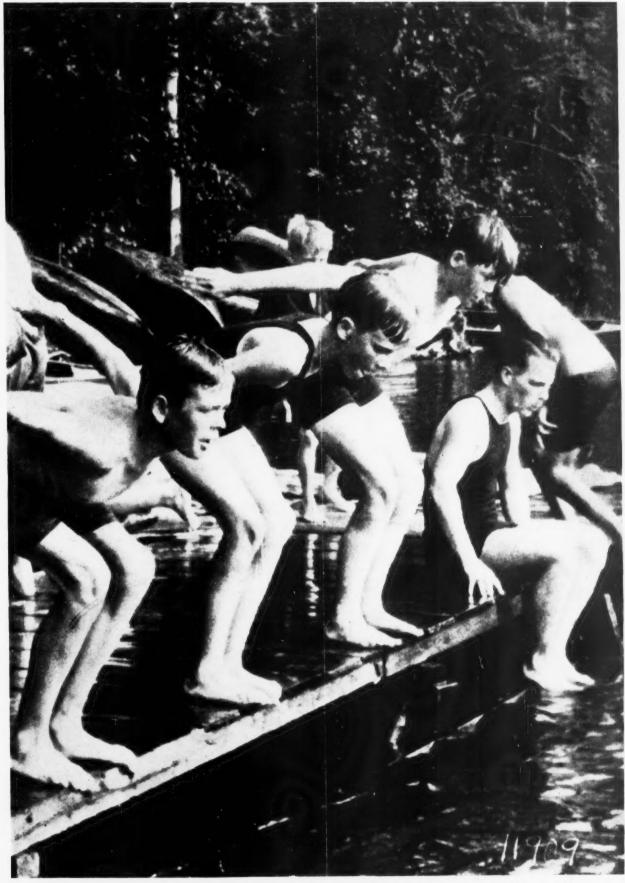
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#### HON. MILDRED LOWTHER VISITS CAMPS

Each summer a representative teacher from Great Britain visits the American camps as the guest of the Camp Directors Association. This year the representative was the Hon. Mildred Lowther and the camps visited were located in the Middle West. Miss Lowther is the daughter of the Viscount Ullswater, who was at one time the Speaker of the House of Commons, and is the niece of Lord Lonsdale.

Miss Lowther has traveled extensively throughout Africa, South America, India, Egypt, and Canada. She is camp adviser to the Girl Guides Association, and was assistant commandant at the World Camp in 1926. She has camped on the continent in Holland and Belgium.

She landed in this country on July 22 and was met by the national president, Dr. J. P. Sprague, in Chicago. Miss Lowther is the fourth English guest that the association has had visit them.

Miss Lowther has agreed to write an article on "My Impressions of American Camps" for a later number of *Camping*.

The camps visited in northern Wisconsin and Michigan by Hon. Mildred Lowther, during July and August, 1929, were: Camp Minocqua (boys), Dr. Sprague; Camp Kawaga (boys), Dr.

Ehrenreich; Camp Agawak (girls), Mrs. Pinkus; Camp Mishikee (boys, girls), Mr. and Mrs. Pulling; Camp Roosevelt (boys),



Major Beals; Camp Osoha (girls), Mr. and Mrs. Snaddon; Camp Manitowich (Y. W.

C.A.), Mr. Wones; Camp Red Arrow (boys), Mr. Rasmussen; Camp Warwick Woods (girls), Miss James; Camp Highlands (boys), Dr. Monilaw; Camp Idyl Wyld (girls), Mr. and Mrs. Bishop; Camp Minne-Wonka (boys), Dr. Ewerhardt; Camp Minne-Wonka Lodge (girls), Mr. and Mrs. Lyons; Camp Bryn Afon (girls), Miss Broadbridge; Camp Kechuwa (girls), Misses Ross; Camp Pinewood (girls), Miss Tuttle; Camp Arbutus (girls), Miss Steere; Camp Caho (girls), Miss Haserot; Camp Interlochen (girls), Mrs. Pennington; Camp Penn Loch (boys), Mr. Myers; Interlochen Orchestral Camp (boys, girls); Camp Kum-Agen (girls), Mrs. Seymour; Camp Oak Openings (girls), Miss Mears; Camp Pottawattomie (girls), Miss Frederich

Girl Scout camps visited: Camp Timber Trail, Upper Wisconsin, Miss Ansell; Camp Juniper Knoll, Wisconsin, Miss Karsell; Camp Alice Chester, Wisconsin, Miss Schrader; Day Camp, Four Cornered House, Chicago, Miss Pease.

Miss Lowther also visited the Boy Scout

Camp, Trout Lake, Wisconsin.
The camps visited in New England were:
Camp Teela-Wooket (girls), Mr. and Mrs.
Roys; Camp Wabunaki (girls), Miss Welch;
Camp Kehonka (girls), Miss Mattoon.

#### C. D. A. ENDOWMENT FUND

By Col. L. L. Rice, chairman

There is no need of "carrying coals to Newcastle" by offering arguments in favor of an endowment fund for the Camp Directors Association. There is, however, a real need of quick decision on the part of certain directors lest the force of the initial momentum be partially dissipated in dreamy consideration and sluggish endeavor. The die has been cast: the national convention in March authorized the appointment of an Endowment Fund Committee and enjoined on the various sectional members the expediency of devising effective means for the raising of

Since the first of three sets of circular letters were mailed in June most directors have been too busy with local camp duties to give the new project thoughtful examination. Further, the innovation was so unexpected that many are still marking time, holding in abeyance both judgment and contribution until assured that the need of an endowment fund is real, the efforts of the committee wisely directed, the funds raised safely invested. The Broadway National Bank of Nashville, one of the most conservatively managed

banking institutions in Tennessee, is for the present the depository of funds collected. These funds are drawing four per cent interest, and when large enough for permanent investment will be so placed as to yield six per cent.

It stands to reason that an organization of national scope, one having in charge the coördination of widely scattered units, the preservation of harmony between sectional demands, the maintenance of an approved ethical standard, the perpetuation of a beautiful esprit de corps, should not be asked to go on "all fours," to exist from hand to mouth, to be cribbed and cabined by a too small total of annual membership dues. No self-respecting director would tolerate such conditions in his own local work. Why then should the national organization, with interests to conserve vastly greater than those compassed by any single director, be continuously placed is so undignified a light?

The membership of the C.D.A. now ranges beyond the four hundred mark. Is it unreasonable to assume that at least three hundred directors may be counted on for an annual minimum contribution of ten dollars? Many, of course, will give more, for the eloquent reason that their camp income so justifies while their vision of larger things to be attained nobly accentuates their gifts.

Fellow-directors, if it is really true — as all of us hold — that the camp movement is a vitally organic part of the great educational scheme, are we wise to clip the wings of our national supervisory organization? The next ten years are certain to develop issues of vast and complex camp magnitude. The horizon of annual potentialities is widening at an alarming speed. Unless, accordingly, we maintain an organization that can cope adequately with the new forces bringing ever larger and more difficult problems, ultimately we shall find ourselves in a veritable welter of clashing opinions, bitter sectional disagreements, mal-digested policies - hence paralyzing hesitancies.

In conclusion, with the interest of all camps at heart, I plead zealously for a good, old-fashioned biblical "lengthening of cords and strengthening of stakes" by means of an adequate endowment

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#### **EDITORIALS**

Since Ralph Hill read the report of the New York Section before the convention at Atlantic City last March, the following suggestion has kept recurring to me. If important contributions such as that report was could be printed before a convention, distributed among the conventioners and read carefully before the meeting

1. It would give opportunity for thoughtful reading and consideration by everyone before getting together for discussion.

It would obviate the necessity for re-reading the whole paper.

Everyone could bring in notes of comment, criticism and specific questions.

4. It should be taken for granted that everyone coming to such a meeting would have read the paper and be ready to discuss it. Anyone not so prepared would merely have to suffer for his neglect.

Thus the time involved in reading a long paper to a whole group would be saved. Those who were interested in its subject matter could get together primed for animated discussion which, after all, is the most important factor in a convention. I believe that we would thus not only save an hour or so of valuable time in the reading, but also save time and concentrated energy by the preparation of criticism and question beforehand. Perhaps a great deal of mere thoughtless or impulsive comment and questioning could be obviated in this way.

A. E. HAMILTON

At the request of the Executive Committee of the Camp Directors Association the editor-in-chief is devoting considerable time to the development of a better Camping. He believes that Camping has a real mission in the organized camping world and can be made attractive, interesting and worthy, as the official organ of the association. The national standing of the organization is such that only a high grade publication should be considered and published. To accomplish this purpose there must be given to the publication the unstinted support of the C.D.A. membership. The program and policy which we propose to follow in building up a better paper, is as follows:

1. The official appointment of an associate editor from each section, and the setting aside of one or more columns each month for use of the section. The name of the editor of each section to be printed at the head of the column.

2. The introduction of departments such as Counselors' Column, Crafts Column, Parents' Column, Campers' Column, New Members, Personals, "Ask Me a Question," Official Notices, etc. These departments to be edited by competent persons.

3. A larger use of cuts illustrating articles on camp life.

4. Camping to go into the mail not later than the tenth of each month. News items, articles and notices must reach the editor not later than the twentieth of the preceding month.

5. The cooperation of the sections in securing sufficient advertising to make the paper self-sustaining.

6. To encourage counselors, parents and older campers to become subscribers through the appeal of a newsy, interesting and helpful paper.

To increase the size of the paper only when the income and interest warrant. The editor-in-chief craves suggestions and ideas and constructive criticism as well

as whole-hearted participation of the camp directors in practicalizing this program and policy.

The cut used on the cover of the September number of Camping was loaned by the Chicago Y.M.C.A. Its title should have been "The Joy of Conquest." acknowledge our thanks for the use of the cut and regret that this was not done before. The cover illustration of this number was loaned by Camp Choconut, one of the pioneer camps, established in 1896 by Dr. Roland J. Mulford. His sister, Mrs. George L. Winlock, has been in charge of the camp for many years.



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#### THE EDITOR GOES VISITING

(Continued from September)

The first week in August found us on our way to Camp Kehonka on Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire, the unusual personality camp directed by our very efficient national secretary-treasurer, Laura I. Mattoon. After a 210-mile drive from our Chimney Corners in the Berkshires, we honked into Kehonka in time for supper. The soft-toned dinner gong called the campers to supper, which was eaten at tables covered with beautiful yellow oilcloth, and from blue willowware dishes, a charming color combination. On each table was a flower holder made of test tubes set in white birch logs. The meal was a salad of sliced egg on lettuce, baked kidney beans and fresh pears for dessert. It surely makes you feel welcome

The day before our arrival, Miss Mattoon's birthday was celebrated by the camp. This is always the big event of the season and the occasion is usually marked by a big surprise for the lady in question. Can you imagine the amazement of Mother Goose, as Miss Mattoon is lovingly called by her goslings, when she was confronted by a monster goose, ten feet tall, con-structed of wood and mounted on wheels, a goose that flapped its wings, worked its long neck and snapped its bill at everything and everybody. After this surprise greeting, there were all sorts of doings and plenty of eats. The goose is to be painted

to have the girls sing their welcome song

while you are enjoying a good meal!

blue, the camp color, and placed at the entrance of the camp.

In the evening, out of doors, the girls presented a puppet show. The plot, the music, the puppets, the lighting effects. the stage were all the product of the girls. "Beauty and the Beast," an original conception of one of the campers, was the play. We shall always remember that scene, the girls sitting on the ground which is cushioned with pine needles, the singing inthe dark, directed by a flashlight, and the silhouette of girls filing by Miss Mattoon at the conclusion of the play, saying "good night" and receiving a personal word from her, this personal touch which is so much in evidence at Kehonka.

Wompohtuk is the new camp Miss Mattoon opened this season for girls from eight to ten years of age. The camp is located at the "Point" and the buildings formerly used by parents are devoted to use of the girls. It is ideally located and has promise of a great future. The little girls, while separated from the older girls at Kehonka, have many things in common and the camp is really a preparatory camp for the older camp.

After leaving our young daughter at Wompohtuk for the month of August, we moved on to Camp Owaissa, but a short distance from Kehonka, and were greeted by Mrs. Charles A. Stevens, the director and owner. Here is a woodsy camp located amid rocks and trees and

having a beautiful outlook over the lake. Mrs. Stevens believes in a small camp and only thirty-five girls are accepted. She also believes in rotation of counselors. Every week the counselors change tents. Nine tents, nine weeks, nine counselors. This method prevents the formation of cliques and avoids "crushes.

Only craft work that does not require eye strain is done by the girls. One of the projects was the creation and making of memory books. The design, the making of the pages and cover, the binding of the book must be the work of the girls. A suggestion book, filled with ideas and suggestions learned at camp for character and physical betterment, was another project. Beaver board was used in the making of book ends, door stops and a variety of things. Lacquer gave to these articles an artistic touch that was very pleasing indeed. On the wall of the craft house was outlined the tool used, so that there could be no mistake in not returning the tool to its proper place. Clever idea! Did you ever have the experience of hunting lost tools? Then you can appreciate the worth of this idea.

Jelly glasses painted blue were used to display flowers and other specimens of plant life. An inexpensive nature study shelter was made from an old tent fly stretched over a wooden frame and three sides of the shelter were made of pine

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STATEMENT OF THEOWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912

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Before me, a notary public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared William H. Wheeler, 24, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the business manager of Camping and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT

In line with the policy announced in the editorial column of this number of Camping and beginning with the September number, each issue will be given over to a section of the C.D.A. to use as the section thinks best, reserving space, of course, for the general news of the whole move-The following is the tentative schedule, subject to change:

September: Southern Appalachian Section

November: Mid-Atlantic Section December: New England Section January: Rocky Mountain Section February: Mid West Section March: Annual Meeting Number April: Pennsylvania Section May: Pacific Coast Section June: New York Section

It is suggested that the section appoint "news gathering" committees as soon as possible in order that material may be secured well in advance and the illustrations, articles, personals, etc. be of a character that would adequately represent the section. Here is another project for the sections that has tremendous publicity value as well as educational value. Good-natured rivalry between the sections in producing the best issue might be a stimulus to the work.

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBER-SHIP CHAIRMAN

Camp Directors Association Membership Committees:

The applications which the chairman of the Membership Committee has had to consider and approve have been names quite generally of an encouraging type. This would normally be so through the process of sifting by the section chairmen, but in this new experience I have been impressed with the fact that our movement needs more and more cooperation of the finest type. There are too many whose camps are known as among the best, who are not joining us actively in this work. Those of us who have acquaintanceships with those men and women must not fail to sit down personally with them, and present them with the opportunity not necessarily to be helped, but to assist in molding this movement into the great widespread educational means which it actually is.

The Membership Committee promotes as vigorously by mail as would seem dignified and advisable, but after all this problem is at bottom one of personal knowledge and personal confidence, and in the last analysis comes down to those individual members who have best at heart the sound progress of this movement.

> FRANK S. HACKETT Chairman

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#### THE BYRAM

By Sue L. Ludington

Camp Hanoum, at Thetford, Vermont, celebrated its twentieth birthday this summer, and chose August 5 as its natal day. The camp is Turkish in nomenclature, Dr. Farnsworth having been born in Caesarea, and Hanoum means "lady" in that language. Hence, it ran true to tradition with a "byram" (festival) as the principal fête. Most of the numerous camps in the vicinity and a few from farther away were represented colorfully, as costumes of the Near or Far East had been requested. Bedouins, gypsies, Turkish ladies and gentlemen, bashi-bazouks in tall boots

and gallant moustaches mingled gaily, while "Uncle Dike" Sleeper of Camp Marbury begged whiningly for "bakshish" and "Papa" Gow sold rugs in a crafty and ingratiating manner.

The Hill Camp green was transformed into a Turkish square. The Konak at the east end was converted skillfully into a palace, and a gleaming and graceful minaret loomed just beyond. One building was changed artfully into a gate, and three others into "divans" with little Turkish façades. The craft shop appeared as a puppet booth, where a series of puppet

shows was given all afternoon. The puppets were made and manipulated by the campers. By its side was the potters' booth, where work was diligently done by yet others. In the buildings at the side sat weavers and merchants who plied a lusty trade in Turkish delight. Dr. and Mrs. Farnsworth, known as "Chelebe and Madama," assisted by Miss Ellen Farnsworth of Aloha, received the guests amid oriental surroundings and dispensed Turkish coffee. One felt that it compared with a circus with three rings, for looking in one direction was seen

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#### CAMPS ENDANGERED BY EPIDEMICS

The following letters are printed for the information of camp directors and readers of Camping. Dr. Wynne's letter appeared in the New York Times on September 5, four days before it was received by the person to whom it was addressed. Unfortunately the reply to Dr. Wynne's letter was not given the same newspaper publicity. After reading both letters and the newspaper comment, it will be clearly understood why the Camp Directors Association is constantly urging preventative measures, morally and legally, for the safeguarding of the health of campers, as well as for the protection of the good name. and reputation of the organized camping movement.

Dr. Wynne's letter to the Camp Directors Association and Mr. Gibson's reply follows; also the comments by the New York *Times*.

New York City Sept. 4, 1929

Mr. Henry W. Gibson, President Camp Directors Association of America 167 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Gibson:

We are thoroughly in sympathy with the outdoor life of children, particularly as practiced in well-regulated camps, and deplore anything which would lessen the popularity and usefulness of such camps. The recent outbreak of typhoid fever in Camp Tabor, Lakewood, Pa., must un-

doubtedly cause many parents to fear for the safety of their children entrusted to summer camps. In this case, within a fortnight, over fifty cases of typhoid fever developed in a girls' camp at which there had been a smaller outbreak of the disease two years ago.

Most of the victims are residents of this city, a fact which at once led us to institute a searching investigation. Thus far all the evidence points to infection through a typhoid carrier among the kitchen help, most likely the cook, who now admits having had typhoid fever when she was twelve years old. This same individual was cook at the camp during the previous small outbreak in 1927. We are at present endeavoring to have her excreta examined bacteriologically in order to determine, whether or not she is a carrier. Inasmuch as she is out of our jurisdiction, it is not certain whether we shall be successful in having such an examination made.

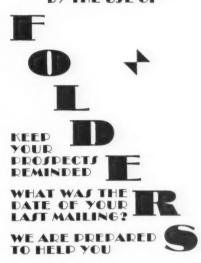
I write to ask whether there is anything that the Camp Directors Association of America can do to avoid the recurrence of such a catastrophe. It would seem to me that the association could refuse membership to any director who does not

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Provide for a sanitary disposal of excreta.

 Incorporate in all camp literature a statement indicating the precautions taken to obviate outbreaks of this kind.

From a purely economic standpoint it would seem to me that the camp directors would promote their own interests with such health precautions. I have no doubt that the Wayne County camp typhoid outbreak will give a serious setback to the whole camp business in New England.

Sincerely yours,
SHIRLEY W. WYNNE, M.D.
Dr. P. H. Commissioner
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The Cow Next Door. Told and illustrated by Marion Bullard. 76 pages, fully illustrated in color. E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc. \$2.00.

The poor cow next door just sat and chewed and chewed while tears rolled down her cheeks and her lips trembled. She refused to moo, her lovely moo had been mistaken for an automobile horn. When automobiles gave milk she would moo again, she told her friends. The different methods they used to make her happy, hoping that she would forget her grievance and moo again, and why she finally did is humorously told in this enchanting book for younger children.

MSR

A Fairy to Stay. By Margaret Beatrice Lodge. Oxford University Press, New York. \$2.00.

Being a very tiny tot and living with two terribly strict aunts, Pamela Perry is misunderstood at every turn. Upon hearing that the aunts will never permit her to attend school, she rebels and does the very naughty thing of cutting off her old-fashioned pigtail — the pride and glory of both the aunts. Punishment follows thick and fast, and poor Pamela is in a state of awful sadness, when she finds perched saucily on a peony a charming fairy friend. From that time on, punishment seems no punishment at all to Pamela, for it means just being alone with the fairy. Through a series of most unusual events, over which only the fairies have power, the aunts are transformed into really likable creatures that are not at all horrible.

A. H. Watson has illustrated A Fairy to Stay perfectly in accord with the contents.

Camps and Camping. Edited by Eugene H. Lehman and Ralph C. Hill. 1929 edition. 173 pages. American Sports Publishing Company, New York City.

Since 1921, Camps and Camping has appeared annually, under the editorial leadership of Eugene H. Lehman, director of Highland Nature Camps. This series of annuals has had a vital influence in shaping the organized camping movement through the publication of articles by di-

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rectors and counselors, touching every phase of camp life and management. The first volumes appeared under the sponsorship of the National Association of Directors of Girls' Camps. Since 1924 it has been edited by a committee of the Camp Directors Association, with Mr. Lehman as editor-in-chief. This annual is edited by Mr. Lehman and Ralph C. Hill as associate editor.

The 1929 annual contains the names of the officers of the national organization and the various sections, a list of committee chairmen, the constitutions of the sections and an obsolete constitution of the national association, the Code of Ethics, and twenty-one articles upon a variety of subjects, making the volume one of interest and value to every camp director and counselor.

The cover is modernistic in style and color and the contents are printed on good paper void of the glare that characterized the volumes containing halftone cuts. A camp directory, compiled from post cards sent to directors, takes up 32 pages. But — why continue to publish an old constitution of the national association when a new constitution and by-laws was adopted in 1928? Also why not include among the constitutions of the sections the Mid-Atlantic and Pacific Sections constitutions? Many important changes have been made including the membership fees and this material should be

brought up to date.

H. W. G.



Ginerra. By Virginia Watson. E. P. Dutton and Company. \$2.50.

All the lure of the historic seventeenth century is mixed with the adventures of a girl, who dared to violate all the conventions of her day by disguising herself as Count Ascanio, her brother. As a soldier of fortune, she goes forth into the world to win gold to buy back her rightful heritage, which because of lack of funds the Catillini family is slowing losing. Her encoun-

ters in Venice are overshadowed by capture and imprisonment in a Turkish harem. Escaping after a play of swords, she returns to Florence, buys back a part of the land, and immediately embarks on an English ship destined for the New World. In America, her adventures exceed all previous happenings, but at the end of her allotted time she returns to Florence and as a soldier of fortune pays off the remaining family debt. As Ginevra, she is betrothed to a man who can rightfully judge her courage, her love, and her knowledge.

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The Story of Pierre Pons. By Francis Miomandre translated by Edwin Giles Rich. Illustrations by Paul Guigne-Bault. E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc. \$2.50.

Another fascinating book for children, written by a Frenchman. How they will love the adventures of Pierre Pons, a little English soldier, who became king of the dolls, himself, of course, a doll too. From the time of his birth in the basement of a toy shop in London, England, Pierre Pons found strange things happening to him. He fell in love with a Japanese marquise, who loved a soldier of her own race, but Pierre Pons's faithfulness to her made her realize when he mysteriously disappeared that she loved him too. When he returned, after most hair-raising adventures, the marquise confessed her love and so, as the story goes, they lived happily ever afterward. This biography of Pierre Pons has all the human and lovable qualities that makes a classic for children and many boys and girls will be held breathless by the adventures of the rag doll and amused by the very funny pictures with which the story is illustrated. M. S. R.

Nix-Nought-Nothing. By NAOMI MITCHISON. Harcourt, Brace and Company.

All the dreams and fantasies of early childhood are expressed in Mrs. Mitchison's volumeentitled Nix-Nought-Nothing. However, Nix-Nought-Nothing is but one of four very interesting fairy tale plays. Each play bubbles and gurgles with lightness and true matter-of-fact humor. The plots of each have a way of jingling on the thread of rime, as one incident after another is disclosed. There is something of a dream-like atmosphere throughout and when the last word has been read, a deeper love for the fairy folk is embedded in one's soul.

M. K.

#### THE GREATEST MISTAKE I HAVE MADE AS A CAMP DIRECTOR

A Symposium

Camping requested a selected group of the experienced camp directors to enter the confessional and tell the camping world of the greatest mistakes they have made as camp directors. No names were to be printed so that they could be just as frank in their statements as they liked. So much has been written about success that an article, jointly produced by such a group of directors, telling of the failures and mistakes in directing a camp, would prove not only interesting but valuable. Many lessons may be learned through our mistakes. An old German music teacher once told his pupil that it is no disgrace to make a mistake but it was a disgrace to make the same mistake twice. Perhaps a column in Camping devoted to mistakes and another column to successes would be worth while. What do you think of the idea? Write the editor your views.

The following are the "confessions" of

directors.

 One of our greatest mistakes has been in placing too great reliance and confidence in the application blanks and recommendations of young women applying

for positions as counselors.

Application blanks are very easy to fill out and high-sounding recommendations are seemingly available to anybody who asks for them. We find that comparatively few are really competent in living up to the statements made by them on their applications; that many of the statements are positively untrue and that a real and abiding sense of "loyalty" is missing in a large percentage of counselors engaged year by year.

2. I remained too long in school work, making camp a secondary interest. Had I dropped all school responsibility five years earlier, it would have been to the advantage of my camp and myself.

I have sometimes considered certain things as necessary evils when decisive action could have eliminated them.

For years I was troubled by visiting parents taking children out to meals. I felt that the parents had a right to do this if they wished, but the results were not good for the individual child nor for the camp as a whole. I finally called a meeting of the parents on a visiting day, put the question frankly before them, and was surprised and delighted to have them vote unanimously to abolish this practice. Many were doing it simply to return favors shown to their boys by other visiting parents.

3. The greatest mistake I made as a camp director!

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#### THE BYRAM

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Aloha Hive in Hawaiian costumes doing a graceful native dance, and in another a fantastic gypsy cart, garishly decorated, in which sat Mrs. Wheeler the queen, and other gypsies who stopped at intervals to sing. The Romanies also gave some beautiful and original dances, arranged for the occasion by Miss Virginia Marsh, Hanoum's dancing counselor. The Aloha Camp group, dressed as Turkish women in white with red sashes, sang and danced the "horan," a folk dance known throughout the Near East.

Suddenly the Bedouin horsemen dashed in and gave a thrilling drill, wheeling, turning, and ending by kidnapping a child from the crowd and exultingly bearing her off. Gracefully came the whirling dervishes from the Keushk at the other end of the green, and gave a performance to which

the crowd hurried.

Then came the exquisite fantasy written and produced by Mrs. Serena Gow Waterman, who directed the byram. She cooperated with Miss Louise Green, head of the Lake Camp, who was responsible for many of the richest costumes and most striking effects. The Konak became a palace, with four guardians for the harem within. Persian knights rushing up proclaimed to the crowd that Turkish maidens were imprisoned there and demanded if

the crowd would suffer it. The escape of Leyla Hanoum, her return to her stern father, the snake charmer's inimitable work in putting to sleep the palace guards, and the rescue of the maidens by the Persian prince and his knights formed the theme of the fantasy. All ended happily as the rescued and rescuers viewed the beautiful dancing provided for their entertainment.

From the minaret then came the muezzin call, sung by Mr. Wheeler, and all prostrated themselves in prayer. A shining rainbow formed over the Konak, a fitting close to so colorful and picturesque an oftenness.

Among the camps attending were Beenadeewin Wigwam, Club Moosilauke, Kehonka, Ken-Jocketee, Marbury, Maskoma Lodge, Neshobe, Ojakla, Quinibeck, Sebago-Wohelo, Serrana, and Tahoma. Also many former campers and friends camelong distances to assist Hanoum at its birthday party and wish for it many more years of joy and happiness.

#### NATURE ACTIVITIES AT ANAWAN By Iola Kay Eastburn

Nature activities at Camp Anawan are divided into outdoor and indoor activities. The nature cabin is the meeting place or point of departure, for most of the work is done afield. All sorts of interesting things are also on exhibition in the cabin and its walls are covered with pictures, magazine articles, clippings and colored plates of animals, flowers, birds, etc.

The outdoor activities consist of brook walk, make aquarium, make moss and fern garden, treasure hunt, quarry trip, mark nature trail, lake search, bog search, geology field trip, ant mound study, mushroom hunt, fern walk, garnet search, woodchuck study, nature meal, gall study, cloud study, nature games, star gazing, bird walks and insect study.

The indoor activities (rainy days) consist of drawing of flowers, butterflies, mushrooms, etc., making bird houses, nature games, coloring of nature plates, review facts in life history of trees, plants,

and insects.

#### IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

The codfish lays a million eggs
And the helpful hen lays one:

But the codfish doesn't cackle To tell what she's done:

And so we scorn the codfish coy, And the helpful hen we prize,

Which indicates to you and me It pays to advertise.

#### NEWS FROM THE CAMP WORLD



Courtesy of Camp Riverdale
New Study Lodge at Camp Riverdale

With one of our happiest and most successful seasons behind us, the outstanding feature at Camp Riverdale has been the success of our new "study lodge." Along the lake front, but in the woods, this building contains eight separate studies, 9 x 12, and a library, 12 x 18.

This plan grew out of our recognition that the tutoring we have done has time after time suffered from the fact that there was no place sacrosanct for this important work. Accordingly we decided that to solve the problem of giving to boys who want or should have study during the summer the benefits of every side of camp life we must provide a place where this work may go forward in all kinds of weather, quietly, comfortably, and effectively. It is good to be able to report that the investment of \$3,500 involved in this provision is amply justified, and will be returned, not necessarily in cash, but over and over in good will and in respect for this work.

Another extremely interesting feature of our life has been the presence of two Rhodes Scholars from South Africa. They came to us at the request of the director of the International Institute of Education, who found that these particular men were eager to have such experience in a typical American camp as might enable them to consider this movement for their own country. They were "topping" fellows, and did much not only in wonderful friendships with the boys but also in opening their eyes to the fact that geography has nothing to do with the inside of a man.

F. S. HACKETT

Camps Wyanoke and Winnemont under the direction of Walter H. Bentley had a most successful season. Wyanoke number two hundred and five boys and a senior council of forty men, of whom thirty-five were in the camp the previous season and many for several years. This fact insured the success of the season. Winnemont added twenty-five girls to their number of the previous season, and much new equipment, including an arts and crafts building and an entire rebuilding of the lodge. Mr. Bentley will remain in camp until early in November supervising construction work.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. Ethel Burdette of Camp Wahtonah is making a tour of Europe, and will send to *Camping* her observations and descriptions of her trip.

## CORRECTED LIST OF NEW MEMBERS C.D.A.

Mid-West Section

Max Werner Camp Ironwood, Harrison, Maine Sebago Club, Webster Groves, Miss.

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Hanover, N. H.
Mr. J. Halsey Gulick

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Today I have grown taller from walking with the trees,

The seven-sister poplars who go swiftly in a line;

And I think my heart is whiter for its parley with a star

That trembled out at nightfall and hung above the pine.

KARLE WILSON BAKER

#### THE EDITOR GOES VISITING

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branches. It was a real nature abode and harmonized with the camp environment.

Actual camp craft was taught by the building of two camps by two groups of girls. They selected the site, built the fire-places and shelters; in fact, everything had to be done by the girls according to accepted standards of what a camp should be. Both camps had to be in livable condition. When completed the camps were judged by a group of counselors and campers. How keen the girls were in their work of constructionists, and what a thrill they must have had the first night they slept out in their camps!

The splashing of the water against the lake shore, the sighing of the pine boughs, the dark woods, the rocks, the quiet seclusion of the camp, combined with the happy family of girls and counselors, mothered by Mrs. Stevens, made Camp Owaissa just a little different from most

Our next stop was at the North Woods Camp for boys, conducted by the Boston Young Men's Christian Association. It is a new camp opened this season for boys who desired a longer period camp than is usually conducted by the association. Thirty-five boys were enrolled, which is a good showing for the first season. A virgin forest, a sandy beach, a sheltered cove, plus greater clearings for games, an old farm house of eighteen rooms for guests, a huge log-built dining and social hall, cabins for sleeping quarters and a program built on modern educational ideas and you have the remarkable setting of this new venture in campdom.

The camp is under the leadership of Gilbert H. Roehrig, program secretary of the Boston association, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Lucas of the Harvey School, Hawthorne, N. Y., assisted by a group of active college men.

The Midgets are housed in a specially constructed building, including two wings used as sleeping porches, with a capacity of twelve boys each, the living quarters of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas and a central "wigwam" with a large cement disc built in the center, upon which is built the council fire. Over the disc is a big funnel-shaped chimney which pulls out the smoke. Books, work benches, chairs, flowers, pets, all form the setting of one of the most comfortable camp dwellings I have ever seen. The older boys sleep in cabins located along "the great trail."

Our friend Chief Crazy Bull was on hand teaching the boys how to make bows and arrows and conducting the camp fires after supper. Can you imagine the feelings of a boy who comes in contact with a real red-blooded "Injun" in the deep North Woods, an "Injun" who teaches him to make a bow and arrows and how to draw the bow! The whir-r-r of the arrow through the air, an arrow which he made, surely is a great experience.

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## CAMPS ENDANGERED BY EPIDEMICS

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14 Avon Road Watertown, Mass. September 11, 1929

Dr. Shirley W. Wynne Dr. P. H. Commissioner New York City

Dear Dr. Wynne:

Your letter to the Camp Directors Association concerning the unfortunate outbreak of typhoid fever in Camp Tabor, Lakewood, Pennsylvania, reached me this morning, upon my return to the city, in which you ask whether there is anything that the Camp Directors Association can do to avoid the recurrence of such a catastrophe, and whether the association could refuse membership to any director who does not comply with recognized measures in safeguarding the health of campers.

In reply, I would say that

1. In examining our membership records, I do not find the name of Rabbi Jacob Grossman, the director of Camp Tabor.

2. To be a member of the Camp Directors Association the individual as well as the camp is subjected to a most rigid examination, regarding the character of the director and purpose of the camp, and must submit an analysis of the water supply, a statement from the Board of Health as to sanitary condition of toilet, dish water disposal, source of milk supply, etc., before the person is admitted. The following is quoted from the constitution:

"Membership in the association shall be dependent on filling out satisfactorily the national questionnaire and application blank. The section chairman must investigate carefully the character and record of the applicant and the quality of the applicant's camp, and have applicant passed upon by officers of section before the name is sent to the national Membership Committee for final action. All membership applications must receive final approval by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee."

3. No case of typhoid fever has ever been reported by any of four hundred and more member camps, located from Maine to California, due very largely to the above precautions and the insistence of observing modern health precautions by its members.

4. That only members can print on their literature the following, "Member of the Camp Directors Association," which indicates that their camp is an approved camp. An official membership symbol has recently been voted by the association.

5. We have coöperated with state and local Boards of Health, such as the Massachusetts Department of Health, in the formulation of "Health Standards for Summer Camps." These standards have been approved by the New England Section of the Camp Directors Association and published in our national organ,

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Camping, and copies of these standards have been sent to camp directors whether members of the association or not.

. 6. We have a national Committee on Health, headed for many years by Dr. J. Wilford Allen of New York City, and recently Dr. Fred W. Clow, Wolfeboro, N. H. became the chairman. This committee keeps the members informed on matters of sanitation and health, issues health literature, checks up on the sanitary conditions in camps and in every possible way safeguards the health of the campers. The seven territorial sections also have committees on health and hygiene.

7. Many member camps require parents to present health certificates of their children from a physician before the children are admitted to the camp. Upon entering camp each child is examined by a physician, and in several camps the temperature of each camper is taken every day for the first two weeks of the camping season in order to detect abnormal conditions.

8. The association has no control over non-member camps. It endeavors to arouse all camp directors to see the economic as well as health value of having their camps conducted in such a manner as to prevent a catastrophe such as broke out at Camp Tabor, for we believe that the organized summer camp is one way of solving the problem of vacation leisure and should be safeguarded from commercialism and exploitation. The slogan of the Camp Directors Association is "Better Citizenship through Better Camping."

9. The association has inaugurated a movement to provide for the physical and laboratory examination of all food handlers and thus prevent what might become unfair camp legislation.

10. The association has counseled, through its Legal Committee, with many states regarding the enactment of laws affecting organized camping, always maintaining that the organized summer camp for boys and girls paralleled the educational movement and should not be classified with summer hotels and wayside camps.

By the above detailed statement of fact, I am sure you will agree that the Camp Directors Association is alert to the situation of safeguarding the health of the million and more boys and girls who are

enrolled each season in private and organizational camps in America.

You may be assured of our readiness to cooperate with you in every possible way. I would suggest that you get in touch with the president of the New York Section of the Camp Directors Association, Miss Agatha Deming, 924 West End Avenue, New York City and with the new national president, Dr. J. P. Sprague, 811 Central Street, Evanston, Illinois, who will be glad to render any service they can to strengthen the work of Boards of Health.

Thanking you for calling my attention to the matter and with kindest regards, I am.

Sincerely yours, H. W. Gibson Past president

The New York *Times* comment was as follows:

With no new cases of typhoid fever reported yesterday among New York children who attended Camp Tabor, Lakewood, Pa., where the disease appeared and developed into fifty cases in this city, Health Commissioner Wynne announced that the infection was under control. At the same time Dr. Wynne made public a letter he had sent to the Camp Directors Association of America reviewing the situation and suggesting measures to prevent a recurrence of the disease in summer camps.

Health Department officers have visited all of the 150 persons from New York who went to the camp, placing them under surveillance. The incubation period of the disease, it was said at the Health Department, which is usually three weeks, has passed, as it was July 29 when one of the two victims of the fever visited his daughter at the camp.

Rabbi Jacob Grossman, head of the camp, is expected to confer with Dr. Wynne today in an effort to determine the origin of the disease, and Health Department officials believe it will be traced to a "typhoid carrier." A cook in the camp has admitted having typhoid several years ago, and she, as well as her helper, it was said, are being examined by Pennsylvania health authorities.

Dr. Wynne is considering a proposal to seek legislation prohibiting the publication of camp advertising which does not state the precautions taken in camps to guard against disease.

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## CAMPS ENDANGERED BY EPIDEMICS

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Later comment which appeared in the New York *Times* of September 15:

A typhoid carrier among the kitchen and dining room employes of Camp Tabor, a girls' camp in Wayne County, was responsible for the outbreak of the disease which resulted in sixty infections and caused several deaths, Dr. J. Moore Campbell, chief of the Bureau of Communicable Diseases, said today in a final report of his investigation. The sudden epidemic in the camp occured last month and the girls, mostly residents of New York and New Jersey, were immediately taken home.

Tests of the water and milk supplies, Dr. Campbell said, definitely eliminated them as sources of the infection. The sanitary condition of the camp itself was above reproach. The servants employed at the camp were residents of New York and New Jersey except in two instances and health departments of these states are conducting an investigation, he said.

Dr. Wynne received a letter yesterday from H. W. Gibson, past president of the Camp Directors Association of America, stating that Rabbi Jacob Grossman, said to have been director of Camp Tabor, was not on the records of the association. Mr. Gibson wrote that the association knew very little about Camp Tabor, but that there had been no typhoid fever cases in the 400 camps which were members of the association.

## BRIEF REPORT OF THE EASTERN SWIMMING CONFERENCE

By DAVID LAYTON

At Camp Westover, Bantam Lake, Bantam, Connecticut, was held June 19 to 26, the eleventh annual Swimming and Life Saving Conference of the Camp Directors Association. Mr. Dwight L. Rogers, Jr. of Camp Bonnie Dune was the efficient chairman of the committee that arranged for the conference.

Mr. Fred W. Luehreug, head of the Department of Physical Education and Athletics at the University of Minnesota, directed the conference. He was ably assisted in his work of instruction by Miss Charlotte Bonney of Aloha Camps and State Teachers College, Oshkosh, Wisconsin; Dr. Harold E. Israel of Camp Allegro; and Miss Amelia Bottomly of Chinqueka Camps for Girls and formerly with the Y.W.C.A. of Washington, D. C.

Ideal weather and aquatic conditions combined with the excellent work of all instructors made the conference most successful and worth while.

Thirty-four counselors were in attendance from many camps of the East. To quote from a letter received, "The conference though smaller in enrollment than last year had the best group of swimmers that I have seen in the past three summers."

#### BERNARD S. MASON WINS \$500 PRIZE

The publishers of the Red Book Magazine, in order to stimulate the addition of constructive and creative literature on the summer camp movement, offered in 1928 a five hundred dollar prize and book publication for the "most significant contribution" to the literature on the organized summer camp submitted to their Committee of Award, composed of Prof. Elbert K. Fretwell, Columbia University, Dr. John M. Brewer, Harvard University, Dr. J. C. Elsom, University of Wisconsin, Prof. Jay B. Nash, New York University, and H. W. Gibson, past president of the Camp Directors Association.

Many manuscripts were submitted and, after nearly a year of careful consideration by the judges, the chairman announces their decision. According to the vote, the prize goes to Bernard S. Mason, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University. Mr. Mason is connected with Camp Fairwood. Mr. Mason writes from a large experience and when the book is published it will be a most valuable treatise on the philosophy and program of the organized summer camp. Camping congratulates Mr. Mason upon his success.

The judges voted that Robert Snaddon, director of Camp Osoha, ranked second; Fay Welch, director of Tanager Lodge, third; L. A. Morhouse, director of Camp Becket, fourth; and Albert Van S. Pulling, fifth

#### DR. DUDLEY A. SARGENT MEMORIAL

The memorial exercises for Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, founder of the Sargent Camp took place June 22 at the Sargent Camp in Peterboro, N. H. A bronze statue and tablet by Dr. Tait McKenzie was dedicated with appropriate exercises. The address was given by Dr. William Anderson. Miss Amy Howland, president of the Sargent School Alumni Association also spoke. The tablet was accepted on behalf of the camp by Ledyard Sargent, son of the late founder. More than 330 of the alumni were present.

Dr. Sargent was one of the pioneers of the camping movement as well as the director of physical education at Harvard College for many years.

Mrs. Carl Shrader is the present director of the Sargent Camp, which enjoys a large clientele and is one of the leading camps for older girls.

#### OCTOBER

These trees have drunk the sun. Fire-filled, their strength Breaks into clarion color on the hills — Maples with a strange new energy Burn in the wind, And sumac kindles to a darker flame. In all the torch-lit wood. Only the blanched ferns are dim, Crushed beneath air they break With a slight sound of foam.

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